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**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT**

In response to the Office Action dated September 28, 2004, Applicants hereby submit this Response and Amendment. A shortened statutory period for response of three months was set. With this Response and Amendment, Applicants have submitted a Petition for Extension of Time requesting a three-month extension of the due date to March 28, 2005 and payment of the required fee.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please enter the amendment of claims as set forth below. All of the claims that were and are in the application are set forth in a single version indicating the status of each of the claims, presenting the currently amended claims with markings to show changes that have been made and presenting the text of claims not being amended without any markings:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application: